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Recommendations of the Marjoribank's Committee.

* 91 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) what the recommendations of the Marjoribanks' Committee, 1937, were;

(b) whether those recommendations have been endorsed by the Land Revenue Reforms Committee;

(c) whether a Land Revenue Bill to give effect to the recommendations of the Marjoribanks' Committee as modified by Government was prepared as far back as 1939; and

(d) whether the Government propose to give effect to the principle of standardization of rates suggested by the Land Revenue Reforms Committee to give immediate relief to certain districts and areas in the State which have been paying enhanced rates?

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI:—"The answer [a] is placed on the table of the House."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO:—"With reference to the answer to clause (d), may I know when the matter was referred to the Board of Revenue, whether any report has been received from them and if not, whether the Board are being asked to expedite the matter so that the Government may come to a decision?"

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI:—"The report of the Board of Revenue has since been received."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO:—"In view of the fact that there is now a fall in prices, and that any enhancement on the basis of increase in prices will not be effective, will the Government pass the necessary orders, so that by executive orders if possible, the principles pointed out by these two committees could be given effect to at least from the next fasli?"

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI:—"The matter will be considered, Sir."

Resettlement rates in the districts mentioned in the second report of the Land Revenue Reforms Committee.

* 92 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether and from what fasli the resettlement rates came to be enforced in the districts mentioned in Schedules A and B in Appendix X of the Second Report of the Land Revenue Reforms Committee; and

(b) whether it is proposed to give relief to these areas either by executive orders or legislation at least in the immediate future as suggested by the Land Revenue Reforms Committee?

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[a] **Printed as Appendix I on pages 201-202 infra.**

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THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" (a) A statement [a] showing the particulars is placed on the table of the House.

"(b) The whole matter is being examined by the Government."

Salaried stamp vendors.

* 93 *Q*.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the system of salaried stamp vendors is existing in any part of the State;

(*b*) whether these salaried stamp vendors are paid any commission on sales in addition to salary;

(*c*) whether the salaried stamp vendors are eligible to all the privileges such as pension, casual and privilege leave and other amenities;

(*d*) whether the salaried stamp vendors are entitled to gratuity as other Government servants not entitled to pension;

(*e*) whether the Government have at any time considered the question of making these posts pensionable or applying to them rules governing payment of gratuity; and

(*f*) whether the Government have received any representation on the subject and if so, how it has been disposed of?

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) No.

" (*c*) They are permitted to avail themselves of 15 days casual leave in a year on a par with other Government servants and without incurring any extra cost to Government. But they are not entitled to any other leave with allowances or to pension.

" (*d*) & (*e*) In January 1952, the Government have extended the benefits of the Madras Retiring and Invalid Gratuities (Non-pensionable Establishment) Rules, 1941, to the salaried stamp vendors also.

" (*f*) No representation has been received by the Government in the matter."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, whether the question of placing these stamp vendors also on a pension basis has at any time been considered by the Government? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" I have no more information to give than what has been furnished in answer to clause (*e*)."

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[a] Printed as Appendix II on pages 203-204 infra.